



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. MBHB00-404-C)

PATENT

In application of:

Sheppard et al.

Serial No.: 09/858,313

Filed: May 15, 2001

For: Use of Vapor-Deposited Conformal
Coatings in Microfluidics Structures

Before the Examiner:
Ling Siu Choi

Group Art Unit: 1713

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 1, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, mailed July 1, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Status of the claims.

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-5 are pending at the issuance of this Office Action.